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June Hogs and Pigs

Indiana's total hog and pig inventory on June 1 was estimated at 4.25 million head, up 300,000 head from a year ago according to Greg Matli, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. Breeding hog inventory, at 260,000 head, was up 4 percent from last June. Market hog inventory, at 3.99 million head, was up 8 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the March to May quarter was 10.70, up 0.4 from the same period last year.

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2019 was 75.5 million head. This was up 4 percent from June 1, 2018, and up 1 percent from March 1, 2019. This is the highest June 1 inventory of all hogs and pigs since estimates began in 1964.

Breeding inventory, at 6.41 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, and up 1 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 69.1 million head, was up 4 percent from last year, and up 1 percent from last quarter. This is the highest June 1 market hog inventory since estimates began in 1964.

The March-May 2019 pig crop, at 34.2 million head, was up 4 percent from 2018. This is the largest March-May pig crop since estimates began in 1970. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 3.11 million head, up slightly from 2018.

The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 11.00 for the March-May period, compared to 10.63 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 3.18 million sows farrow during the June-August 2019 quarter, down slightly from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2018, but up 3 percent from 2017. Intended farrowings for September-November 2019, at 3.17 million sows, are up slightly from 2018, and up 2 percent from 2017.

Hog Inventory and Farrowings – Indiana and United States: June 1, 2018 and 2019

Hogs and pigs	Indiana			United States		
	2018	2019	Change	2018	2019	Change
	1,000 head	1,000 head	percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	percent
Breeding	250	260	4	6,320	6,410	1
Market	3,700	3,990	8	66,546	69,111	4
Under 50 pounds	940	1,060	13	21,327	22,019	3
50-119 pounds	1,150	1,150	0	19,083	19,606	3
120-179 pounds	780	840	8	13,988	14,427	3
180+ pounds	830	940	13	12,147	13,059	8
Total	3,950	4,250	8	72,866	75,520	4
Sows farrowed, Mar-May	115	115	0	3,100	3,108	0
Pigs per litter, Mar-May	10.30	10.70	4	10.63	11.00	3
Pig crop, Mar-May	1,185	1,231	4	32,942	34,177	4
Sows farrowing, Jun-Aug ¹	125	125	0	3,200	3,185	0
Sows farrowing, Sep-Nov ¹	125	120	-4	3,174	3,175	0

¹ Intentions for 2019.

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